

Executive Committee
United Community Corporation
124 Branford Pl, Newark, N.J.
May 24, 1965

Present: Rabbi Jonathan J. Prinz, Presiding; Edward ~~Wick~~^{tick} for Peter V. R. Schuyler, Jr., Timothy Still, Irving Rosenberg, Arthur Kaufman for Mayor Addonizio, Sidney Reitman, Miss Hilda Hildalgo, Mrs. Ceil Arons, Miss Rosa Donovan for Mrs. Grace Malone, Father Pasaniello for Msgr. Joseph Dooling, Cyril D. Tyson, Donald Wendell and Beatrice V. Easley.

MINUTES: Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted with one correction: that funds to be reallocated would be used to hire a Spanish speaking organizer, not director.

PLANS FOR MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Dean Heckel, Mr. Reitman, Rabbi Prinz and Mr. Tyson will meet today to iron out last minute details of plans for the Annual Membership meeting to be held Thursday. All UCC officers will sit on the dias. Also to be seated on the dias are: the Mayor as Honorary President, Councilmen Turner and Villani as Honorary Vice Presidents, Area Board Chairmen, Rev. Johnson as Chairman of the Membership Committee, and UCC staff.

R.v. Johnson will be asked to deliver the invocation; Dean Heckel will preside over the meeting; Mr. Tate as Chairman of the By Laws Committee will report the proposed changes; Mr. Quillan will deliver the financial report; Miss Hildalgo will serve as official interpreter; Mr. Gibson will be asked to preside over the overflow seated in the gymnasium; Msgr. Dooling will be asked to give the benediction; Mr. Still will report for the Program Committee. In addition, Mr. Richardson will be called and asked to participate. Mrs. Malone will be asked to be Secretary of the meeting since Mr. Schuyler is out of town.

The memorandum of procedures was read and there was general agreement on the format.

It was suggested that the members of the Board of Trustees should sit throughout the audience rather than together as a group.

Those persons nominated from the floor at the meeting will be allowed a few minutes to give a brief biographical sketch.

There was considerable discussion on whether the election should be held last or come at the early part of the meeting. It was the consensus that the amendments to the By-Laws should be acted on as early as possible and the nominations and election should immediately follow. Holding the election early will enable the audience to fully participate and not get the feeling we don't want them to do so.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Regional representatives from the OSO will be in our office tomorrow and Wednesday to get proposals already approved by our Board ready to be submitted to Washington. By the third week in June we expect to have approval for our programs. By July 1 we hope to have our programs under way. There is some legal work to be done on the sub-contract process.

Operation Head Start has been approved by Washington. Mr. Kennelly got the telegram on this last week. There was a slight difference between the approved budget and the one submitted. The cut seems to be made in terms of staff. I will meet with the Board of Education on method of funding and contractual form.

We are working on a broad based arts and cultural program. A consultant will be hired to work with this committee.

TRENTON HEARING ON ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM: Rabbi Prinz said that he had gotten a letter from one of the local community agencies asking him to appear in Trenton representing the clergy. He decided not to appear. The UCC is not participating in the hearings as had been previously decided.

Mr. Reitman said that he had the impression that Trenton wanted local groups to volunteer to appear at the hearings.

A question was raised whether Mr. Bullitt has asked the UCC to appear. Mr. Tyson said that he had not. It was agreed that if the UCC is to appear that Mr. Stamler has to officially ask us to do so.

HIRING FROM WITHIN AREA BOARDS: There was question raised whether announcement would be made at the Annual Meeting of staff hired from within area boards. Mr. Tyson said that a target date would be set later for the announcements.

RECOMMENDATION FOR ESTABLISHING PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Walter Chambers submitted a recommendation for the establishment of a Public Relations Committee. (recommendation attached) Mrs. Arons moved, Mr. Still seconded accepting the recommendation. After considerable discussion the motion was amended to call this committee "Community Information Committee".

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United Community Corporation
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Gentlemen:

I have instructed Father Pesaniello to appear as my proxy at today's meeting. I am sorry I could not appear personally today because it was my intention to take up the circumstances that existed at the meeting last Thursday evening. I will, however, be at the next meeting at which time I expect to discuss at length the business of the meeting that had to do with the Pre-School Program and our reaction to the conduct of the meeting.

I would like to express, through Father Pesaniello, my personal appreciation to Mr. Schuyler for the defense of the Community Action policies of the Mount Carmel Guild.

The reason I am not able to be present at the meeting today is because I am attending a meeting in Philadelphia with some people from Washington.

s/s jf

Rt. Rev. Joseph A. Dooling

JAD:jf

It was felt that the CIC should come directly under the Executive Committee as an ad hoc committee. This committee could continue to function even when UCC hires public relations staff. The amendment and the motion was passed unanimously. Dean Heckel is to appoint the Community Information Committee.

WORK TRAINING
PROGRAMS:

Mr. Tyson reported that he had attended a meeting with representatives from the Community Relations Service of the Civil Rights Commission, OEO, Housing Authority, Board of Education, agencies running work training programs and the Newark Human Rights Commission. CRS wanted to know if there were problems getting programs funded for this summer and indicated that they could help in cutting red tape. Their concern, of course, was the prevention of riots this summer. The group stated that Newark's major concern was the Title V proposal which was turned down in Washington because the Commissioner of Welfare wants sponsorship from State or County, not Municipal. Mr. Levine, the CRS representative agreed to try to get the program reinstated for Newark. The program could be developed under the State and County Welfare Boards with the Newark Welfare Department running it. As yet there has been no follow-up. This would affect the Blazer work training proposal as it calls for training 200 people in the Title V program.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE
MEETING:

Mrs. Arons reported that the Program Committee will meet on June 14. At that time all the task forces under the Program Committee will make reports on progress to date. The Board of Trustees will be invited to attend that meeting.

LETTER FROM
MSGR. DOOLING:

Msgr. Dooling wrote a letter (attached) in which he pointed out that he was sorry that he could not attend the meeting today but wanted to, at the next meeting, discuss at length the business of the meeting with the Pre-School program and reactions to the conduct of the meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

Mr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Mrs. Arons that the next meeting of the Executive Committee be held on June 7.

LEGAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE:

Mr. Reitman said that he would meet with the Area Board Chairmen on June 1. He also stated that he would be attending a meeting in Washington shortly regarding the legal services program. Mr. Still moved, Mrs. Arons seconded, that since Mr. Reitman would be attending as a representative of UCC, that UCC pay his expenses. Passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beatrice V. Easley